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LOK SABHA

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ENTRY OF MALE PASSENGERS INTO LADIES COACHES
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether inspite of providing separate ladies coaches in trains keeping in view the convenience of the women passengers, male passengers are boarding the said coaches without any checks and are misbehaving with the women passengers;

(b) if so, the number of male passengers apprehended while travelling in ladies coaches during 2005-06 and 2006-07;

(c) the details of the action taken against such passengers;

(d) whether there is any strict action plan in the Railways to prevent the entry of male passengers into ladies coaches; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R.VELU)

(a) to (c) : Some such incidents do come to notice. However, Railways make regular efforts to check such cases. During the year 2005-06, 48084 male passengers were apprehended while travelling in ladies coaches and a sum of Rs. 62.72 lakhs was realized from them. Similarly, in 2006-07, 50472 male passengers were apprehended and a sum of Rs. 77.91 lakhs realized from them.

(d) & (e) : Regular checks are conducted to prevent entry of male passengers into ladies coaches and offenders apprehended are prosecuted under Section 162 of the Railways Act, 1989 and fined. Besides, Lady Squads consisting of women TTEs (Travelling Ticket Examiners) and lady constables have been formed on each of the Zonal Railway to instil confidence amongst the lady passengers.